REMARKS

Claim Amendments

The claims have been amended, as indicated herein, in order to correct minor and inadvertent errors in the numbering of the claims. Claim number 17 was missing from the original set of claims. Applicants have therefore amended the claims to provide a new claim 17, which is indicated herein. The Applicants believe the lack of claim 17 was a minor error. Applicants also believe that the material taught by newly submitted claim 17 does not constitute new matter and is enabled by Applicants' specification. Applicants therefore request entry of the claim amendments, particularly newly submitted claim 17, as indicated herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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